

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1005
By Ramsey

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Patrick Forrest Powell,
2003 Collegiate National Pistol Champion.

WHEREAS, the Tennessee General Assembly is pleased to specially honor and commend those gifted competitors who, through their magnificent exploits, bring honor to Tennessee and serve as exceptional ambassadors of this State; and

WHEREAS, Patrick Forrest Powell is one such estimable Tennessean who has reached the pinnacle of competitive shooting; and

WHEREAS, in July of 2003, he captured the 2003 Collegiate National Pistol Championship at Camp Perry, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, holding the classification of Expert, he also achieved the honor of membership in the President's 100, an honor bestowed only upon the top 100 competitors at Camp Perry each year; and

WHEREAS, these latest honors added to a long list of accomplishments for Mr. Powell, who also won the Junior National Pistol Championship in 2000; and

WHEREAS, in addition to being an expert shooter, he is a knowledgeable and qualified teacher of the craft who holds a certified instructor's license for hand gun safety training from the National Rifle Association and the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, he also excels in the classroom, having earned a perfect 4.0 grade point average at Spring Hill High School; now a Senior at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, he is a Bicentennial Scholar and has received a scholarship from the Maury County Historical Society for two consecutive years; and

WHEREAS, his diligence and academic talent have gained him membership in Phi Beta Kappa, Gamma Beta Phi, and the National Scholars' Honor Society, as well as numerous other accolades; and

WHEREAS, during the 2004 session of the General Assembly, he has utilized his singular talents on Capitol Hill, where his efforts as a legislative intern have been exceedingly beneficial to the office of Senator Ron Ramsey; and

WHEREAS, he has performed uncommonly well in his duties, once again displaying the integrity, work ethic, and skill that have brought him success in a wide range of endeavors; and

WHEREAS, he has achieved supreme success while at all times evidencing the utmost intensity of character; and

WHEREAS, his many accomplishments are a great source of pride to his parents, Patrick O. and Jean Powell of Columbia, and the talent and dedication that made such accomplishments possible surely bode well for his future success in all endeavors; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it wholly appropriate to pause in its deliberations to acknowledge and applaud Mr. Powell for his great shooting prowess and for serving as a fine example of the high quality of Tennessee's citizenry; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and commend Patrick Forrest Powell, 2003 Collegiate National Pistol Champion, and join with his family and friends, in celebrating his supreme accomplishments in shooting and so many other endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we wish him much continued success and happiness in his future endeavors, and thank him for his exemplary service as a legislative intern for Senator Ramsey.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.